List of Resources For
Talking to Children About Race & Racism

Books for kids:

- **NY Times booklist** - A compilation of books to help describe race and the protests to children.
- **PBS Booklist**: 13 Children’s Books About Race and Diversity
- Booklist by EmbraceRace to support conversations with children about race, racism, and resistance.

Some specific recommendations from a local Elementary School librarian:

- **I Walk with Vanessa** by Kerascoet: A wordless book that shows how one person can stick up for another, ban together, and support another's right to feel safe.
- **Hands Up!** by Breanna McDaniel: Inspired by the phrase "Hands up!" and its negative connotation, this author (a Simmons graduate) gives a positive twist to the words. Her afterword is incredibly powerful and explains to her readers the reason why she wrote the book.
- **Let the Children March** by Monica Clark-Robinson: Told from a child’s perspective, the story of the 1963 Birmingham Children's Crusade, and how children marched for desegregation.
- **Say Something!** by Peter H. Reynolds: A story that explores the many ways that a single voice can make a difference. Each of us, each and every day, have the chance to say something: with our actions, our words, and our voices. (Read aloud by Peter H. Reynolds, start at 11:30: *Say Something!*)

Youtube Read Alouds:

- Sankofa Read Alouds - Channel with a variety of read alouds about people of color and by authors of color
- All the Colors We Are: Todos los colores de nuestra piel
- Something Happened in Our Town by Marianne Celano
- A Kids Book About Racism by Jelani Memory
- The Story of Ruby Bridges
Useful websites and tips for how to talk to your kids about race:

- **Common Sense Media**
- **Sesame Street and CNN Town Hall**
- **PBS Kids** - How to Talk Honestly With Children About Racism
- **Talking Race with Young Children**, NPR Podcast
- **Your Kids Aren’t Too Young to Talk about Race, Resource Roundup**
- **How to Talk to Kids about Racism: an Age-By-Age Guide**
- **Teaching Young Children to Resist Bias**